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1. During the latter part of October 1950, CH'EN Ho-ch'ing (陳和清), a high-ranking official of the Chinese Communist Mineral Control Board, LIAO Han-chen (廖漢章), another official of the Board, and two Soviet advisers made an inspection tour of tungsten mines in northern Kwangtung and southern Kiangsi. One of the Soviets was called To-ma-yeh-fu-szu-chi.*
2. The group inspected mines in Shihhsing (114-03, 25-02), Loch'ang (113-18, 25-08), Wengyuan (113-43, 24-30), and Tayu (114-19, 25-30) Hsien, where deposits have been exploited for many years. They were very pleased with the possibility of starting large scale operations.
3. On 5 November the group, traveling in three cars and guarded by a platoon of soldiers, was attacked by guerrillas at a village about six miles from Nanhsiung (114-17, 25-13). To-ma-yeh-fu-szu-chi, LIAO, and 12 Communist soldiers were killed, and one clerk and four Communist soldiers were captured. The guerrillas captured 18 rifles, one MG, and handgrenades and other ammunition. One guerrilla was killed.

* Comment. This is the Chinese rendition of a Russian name. It might be Tomayevsky or Tomashevsky.

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